

**South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control
Ryan White Part B Emerging Communities
FY 2013 Grant Year**

REQUEST FOR GRANT APPLICATIONS (RFGA)

CFDA Number: 93.917

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ATTENTION! IMPORTANT DETAIL!

**Your application must be submitted in a sealed package. (Original + 3 copies marked as "Copy")
RFGA Number and Deadline/Closing Date (see below) must appear on package exterior.**

Deadline/Closing Date for Applications:	March 11, 2013 - By 2:30 PM EST
RFGA Number: FY2013-RFGA-HV-002	

Submit your sealed package to either of the following addresses:	
MAILING ADDRESS: SC DHEC Public Health Attn: Contracts Section Box 101106, Mills/Jarrett Complex Columbia, SC 29211	PHYSICAL ADDRESS: SC DHEC Public Health Attn: Contracts Section 1751 Calhoun Street, Jarrett Building Columbia, SC 29201

Number of Copies to be submitted: One (1) original and three (3) copies marked as "Copy"

DHEC launches this Request for Grant Applications (RFGA) for the funds administered by DHEC for the State of South Carolina from the Federal Ryan White HIV/AIDS Treatment Extension Act, Part B Emerging Communities program. Acceptable applications that will be considered as part of this grant program are those that support the activities, goals, and objectives as required the Federal Ryan White HIV/AIDS Treatment Extension Act, Part B Emerging Communities Program and DHEC Public Health, STD/HIV Division, Ryan White Part B Program. The use of these funds is subject to all federal and state requirements as outlined in the scope of work. Funds may not be used for any other purpose. DHEC reserves the right to determine whether or not a proposal falls within the scope of activities and is eligible under the stated guidelines. Applications are only accepted during the Request for Applications period and will be evaluated by independent evaluators based on the award criteria stated in the solicitation.

It is the intent of the State of South Carolina, South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC) to accept grant applications to provide medical case management and/or supportive services to people living with HIV/AIDS (PLWHA) in two specific areas of the state: 1) Columbia Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) which includes Calhoun, Fairfield, Kershaw, Lexington, Richland, and Saluda counties. 2) The Charleston Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) which includes Charleston, Berkley, and Dorchester counties. Each subrecipient shall use Federal Ryan White HIV/AIDS Treatment Extension Act, Part B Emerging Community funds, administered by DHEC, to provide services to eligible persons in the same or substantially same manner as detailed in DHEC's grant proposal to the Federal Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) or if different in the award, in the same or substantially similar manner as set forth therein rather than in the proposal.

The anticipated amount of award in each of the MSAs (based on current grant year funding) is as follows:

Service Area 1 – Columbia MSA: \$335,153*

Service Area 2 – Charleston MSA: \$100,000*

Multiple awards may be awarded, with individual awards ranging from \$50,000-\$355,153.

*ESTIMATE ONLY: FUNDING FOR THE SUBRECIPIENTS IS DEPENDENT UPON RECEIPT BY DHEC OF FEDERAL FUNDS.

Eligibility: Organizations with a minimum of three years of established history of providing medical case management and/or supportive services to eligible persons with HIV/AIDS as outlined in the attached Scope of Services. The subrecipient must be located in the service area and provide services to all counties in the MSA.

How to Apply: See the Request for Grant Applications (RFGA) Section IV for additional details regarding information to be included with your submission. A coverletter should be included and signed by an authorized agent or other official agency personnel. Eligible applicants must submit the required documents to:

SC DHEC
Public Health
Attn: Contracts Section
Box 101106, Mills/Jarrett Complex
Columbia, SC 29211

Deadline: The deadline for all applications is March 11, 2013 by 2:30 P.M. EST

Questions & Answers: Questions will be accepted until 5:00 P.M. EST, Friday, February 22, 2013. All questions must be submitted in writing to Leigh Oden at ODENL@dhec.sc.gov. Responses will be posted February 27, 2013 by 5:00 PM EST.

Available funding Date: Contingent upon available funds, anticipated to be awarded by HRSA no later than April 15, 2013.

Final selection of all successful applicants will be made and notifications released by March 20, 2013. Final Grant Agreements will be executed to be effective when signed by the grantee and DHEC. As needed, final funding amounts will be adjusted by April 15, 2013.

A draft copy of the Grant Agreement is attached to the RFGA.

Budget Form for HIV AIDS Proposals: Every application under the DHEC Reimbursement Program must be accompanied by a budget template and a statement that the project can be carried out for the budget requested. A budget template is attached in Attachment 6. Applications received without a budget proposal will be rejected and not reviewed by the review panel.

For more information about this Request for Grant Application process, please visit our website at www.dhec.sc.gov.